

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection

By Chairman Max Wilson, Maricopa County Supervisor, District 4

Our most recent Maricopa County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection in the Sun City area proved highly successful. This past Saturday, 685 cars passed through the First United Methodist Church of Sun City as citizens dropped off several tons of waste material. Thank you to everyone who took the time to come out and properly discard used-up hazardous substances. I also wish to thank the sheriff's posse members and homeowners' association volunteers who assisted with coordinating the event.

The Maricopa County Materials Management staff members deserve recognition for their efforts, as well. A crew must come out at 2:00 AM each time to prepare for these events. This time around, they collected 1000 pounds of lead acid batteries, 100 Propane bottles, 150 pounds of electronic scrap, as well as flammable aerosols and liquids, paint, acids, pesticides, tires and other items. We are planning future collections in the West Valley.

Citizens serving citizens is what Maricopa County is all about. The tremendous participation at these HHW collections proves that Maricopa County staff along with residents can work together to make our homes safer and to protect our environment.